

The values and regulations given below emerge from our mission in promoting Catholic, Christian values that recognize the dignity and self-worth of all people. Within this setting, dances are viewed as an opportunity for students to socialize in a supervised and safe environment. Student behavior and manner of dress should reflect this guiding principle.

Dance Regulations:

- 1. Date Dances are open to all students from local high schools.
- 2. Bellarmine students and their Guests are not admitted without a high school ID. and, if applicable, completed guest passes.
- Bellarmine students are responsible for their guest's behaviors and may be subject to behavioral consequences related to non-compliance with school policies and expectations.
- 4. All students in attendance must provide a student ID upon request from school personnel. In the event of any violation of these regulations, or any other behavior deemed inappropriate, the parents and the dean of the guest's school will be notified of the incident.
- 5. Large jackets, purses, and backpacks may be inspected by school personnel before admittance to the dance. Students bring valuables at their own risk. Bellarmine is not responsible for any lost or stolen items.
- 6. Students will be expected to follow the standards of dress stated below for the duration of the dance.
- 7. All dance styles must comply with standards of Christian morality, standards that include modesty and safety. School personnel will be the final judge of the appropriateness of dance style and will confront any student whose behavior or dancing is deemed inappropriate. This includes the following stipulations: no body parts other than the student's feet may be on the floor, students must always be in an upright position (no bending over). Additionally, a student's legs cannot wrap around a dance partner nor may he or she pick up another student. When hands are places on another student's body, they should be in appropriate places such as the waist or shoulders. ANY dancing or movement that implies ANY sexual activity OR motion is not permitted.
- 8. The use of tobacco, alcohol, or any other illegal drug is not permitted.
- 9. We may phone the parents of any student violating any of these rules and violators may be asked to leave the dance. Students who are in violation of school policies will also be subject to school disciplinary procedures.

Manner of Dress:

- Students are expected to be clean and neat in their personal appearance, observing standards of modesty, moderation, and good taste. Any interpretation and judgment in these matters lies with school personnel supervising the dance.
- Shirts must have sleeves. Pants and shorts must be secured around the waist. Shoes required. Any head or other adornments must be appropriate to the event.
- Overly tight pants or spandex pants or shorts (i.e., bike shorts) may not be worn as outer garments.
- Shorts, skirts and dresses may be no shorter than mid-thigh.

Not permitted:

- tube tops, halter tops
- low-cut front or back
- Slits on dresses or skirts that end above mid-thigh.

Students in violation of these policies will be required to access appropriate clothing before entering the dance venue. Parents or others may bring change of clothing.

In addition to the diocesan-wide policies given above, the following regulations are also in effect at Bellarmine:

- 1. Junior Prom begins at 6:00-pm and ends at 11:00pm. Students must be checked in to the dance by 7:00 pm and may not leave until 10:30 pm. Any Bellarmine student has not been picked up at 11:00 pm will receive a JUG.
- 2. Students who drive to dances must park on campus.
- Students receiving rides either to or from dances must use either the Emory Street Drop-Off Area entering from Stockton Street only or the Liccardo Lot off of Hedding Street. For a detailed map, please see the Drop-off and Pick-up PDF on the right.
- 4. Parking is not permitted in the neighborhood. All those who violate this city ordinance will be ticketed and can be towed.
- 5. The following imprints are not allowed: advertising of alcoholic beverages, tobacco or other controlled substances; sexist or suggestive lettering or pictures; Satanic lettering or pictures; violent expressions or images.
- 6. Glow sticks are not permitted.